

MADISON COUNTY HOUSING ADVISORY BOARD  
AGENDA

June 16, 2008 4:30 PM  
Virginia City, MT 59755

Attendees: Ed Biga, Katie Ward, Kathryn Nielsen, Keith Hokanson, Tikker Jones

Absentees: Karen Talley, Paul McMullin, Steve Weddle, Dax Schiffer

Visitors: Alyssa Mitchell w/ Human Resource Council, Barbie Durham, Robyn Blazer w/ Madison County Economic Development Council

Commissioner: Marilyn Ross

Moved by Ed to approve the April minutes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kathryn, all in favor, motion carries.

1. Creating Sub-Committees: Tabled
2. Marilyn Ross: Marilyn reported on the Montana Housing Conference in Great Falls. Marilyn asked the Board if they were interested in sponsoring a Housing Summit in Madison County. She explained many agencies would be willing to be presenters such as Rural Development, Housing and Urban Development, CDBG, etc. Ed Biga asked what the purpose of the conference would be and how is Madison County going to get projects implemented. Discussion ensued about these issues. Marilyn explained that the Commissioners need recommendation from the Board to implement plans. Some Board members felt like they need to be educated regarding programs and funding that is available for affordable and workforce housing. Ed stated that when working on the Madison County Housing Task Force many meeting were held with local citizens, bankers, realtors, etc. He asked if the Board would just be repeating the same processes. Marilyn explained that the Board would not be repeating the same processes because the Task Force worked on the Madison County Housing Needs Assessment. The Board will be working on implementation of projects using various programs and funding sources.

Motion made by Kathryn to hold a Housing Summit in Madison County. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tikker, all in favor, motion carries.

Ed talked about the creation of a Housing Authority, what capabilities a Housing Authority has, how they are established, and what they do. Discussion ensued regarding Housing Authorities.

Robyn Blazer gave a brief presentation on the Madison County Economic Development Corp. She talked about TIFF districts, how they work, and what they are for.

3. Mission Statement and Duties of the Madison County Housing Advisory Board: Tabled
4. New Business
5. Public Comment